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EXAMINING GROUP 2152  
Docket No.: 1573.1005

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Yoshiko AKAZAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/840,151

Group Art Unit: 2174

Confirmation No. 3422

Filed: April 24, 2001

Examiner: Pesin, Boris M.

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING VIRTUAL WORLD CUSTOMIZED FOR  
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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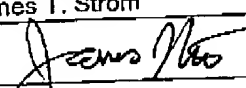
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